

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Information Collection Renewal; Comment Request; Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury (OCC).

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on an information collection renewal as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OCC is soliciting comment concerning the renewal of its information collection titled "Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form."

DATES: Comments must be received by [INSERT 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN FEDERAL REGISTER.]

ADDRESSES: Commenters are encouraged to submit comments by e-mail, if possible. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* prainfo@occ.treas.gov.
- Mail: Chief Counsel's Office, Attention: Comment Processing, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Attention: 1557-0314, 400 7th Street, SW., suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.
- *Hand Delivery/Courier*: 400 7th Street, SW., suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.
- *Fax*: (571) 465-4326.

Instructions: You must include "OCC" as the agency name and "1557-0314" in your comment. In general, the OCC will publish comments on *www.reginfo.gov* without change,

including any business or personal information provided, such as name and address information, e-mail addresses, or phone numbers. Comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Do not include any information in your comment or supporting materials that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

You may review comments and other related materials that pertain to this information collection beginning on the date of publication of the second notice for this collection by the method set forth in the next bullet. Following the close of this notice's 60-day comment period, the OCC will publish a second notice with a 30-day comment period.

- Viewing Comments Electronically: Go to www.reginfo.gov. Hover over the "Information Collection Review" tab. Underneath the "Currently under Review" section heading, from the drop-down menu select "Department of Treasury" and then click "submit". This information collection can be located by searching by OMB control number "1557-0314" or "Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form." Upon finding the appropriate information collection, click on the related "ICR Reference Number." On the next screen, select "View Supporting Statement and Other Documents" and then click on the link to any comment listed at the bottom of the screen.
- For assistance in navigating *www.reginfo.gov*, please contact the Regulatory Information Service Center at (202) 482-7340.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shaquita Merritt, OCC Clearance Officer, (202) 649-5490, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information that they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in

44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) to include agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of title 44 requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the OCC is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

Section 1473(p) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act¹ provides that if the Appraisal Subcommittee (ASC) of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC) determines, six months after enactment of that section (i.e., January 21, 2011), that no national hotline exists to receive complaints of non-compliance with appraisal independence standards and Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP), then the ASC shall establish and operate such a hotline (ASC Hotline). The ASC Hotline shall include a toll-free telephone number and an email address. Section 1473(p) further directs the ASC to refer complaints received through the ASC Hotline to the appropriate government bodies for further action, which may include referrals to OCC, the Federal Reserve Board (Board), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (CFPB), and state agencies. The ASC determined that a national appraisal hotline did not exist at a meeting held on January 12, 2011, and a notice of that determination was published in the Federal Register on January 28, 2011, (76 FR 5161). As a result, the ASC established a hotline to refer complaints to appropriate state and Federal regulators.

Representatives from the OCC, the Board, the FDIC, the NCUA (Agencies), and the CFPB met and established a process to facilitate the referral of complaints received through the

¹ Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act section 1473, Pub. L. 111-203, 124 stat. 1376, July 21, 2010; 12 U.S.C. 3351(i).

ASC Hotline to the appropriate Federal financial institution regulatory agency or agencies. The

Agencies developed the Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form to collect information necessary

to take further action on the complaint. The CFPB incorporated the process into one of their

existing systems.

The Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form was developed for use by those who wish to

file a formal, written complaint that an entity subject to the jurisdiction of one or more of the

Agencies has failed to comply with the appraisal independence standards or USPAP. The

Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form is designed to collect information necessary for the

Agencies to take further action on a complaint from an appraiser, other individual, financial

institution, or other entities. The Agencies use the information to take further action on the

complaint to the extent the complaint relates to an issue within their jurisdiction.

OMB Control No.: 1557-0314.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 100.

Estimated Burden per Response: 0.5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 50 hours.

Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the

functions of the OCC, including whether the information has practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the OCC's estimates of the burden of the collection of information;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection on respondents, including through the

use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and

(e) Estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and

purchase of services to provide information.

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